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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

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The documents listed on Form-1449 (modified) are those cited in the Search Reports of related European Patent Application Nos. EP 01301219 (1 page) and EP 01301228 (1 page). Copies of the Search Reports are enclosed herewith.

Please note that the foreign patent documents EP 0973351 and WO 98 52379, cited in the Search Reports of European Patent Application Nos. EP 01301219 and EP 01301228, were previously cited in the IDS filed on November 7, 2001 for the subject application. Therefore, the documents are not included with this IDS.

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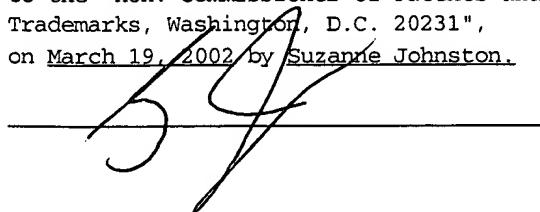
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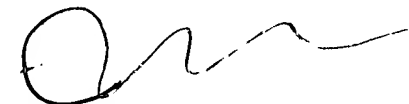
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